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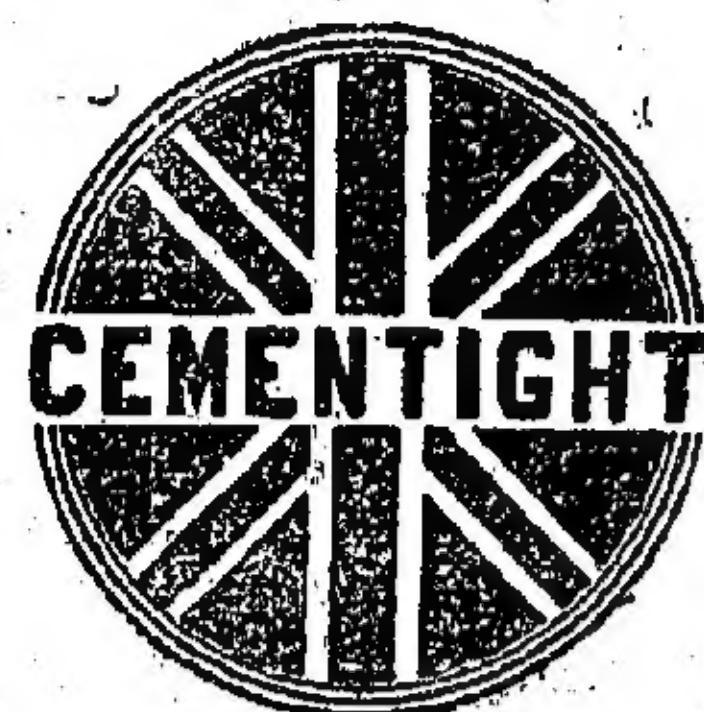
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below will be 4 CENTS per 100.
The full Schedule of New Postage Rates
will be published in the Gazette of the
26th instant.

A. M. THOMSON,
Postmaster General.
December 22, 1899.

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Aden, Amoy, Bahamas, Barbados,
Bermuda, British Central Africa,
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British Honduras, British India,
Canada, Cape Colony, Cayman, Cyprus,
Fiji, Federated Malay States, Gibraltar,
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chelles, St. Helena, The Falkland
Islands, The Gambia, The Leeward
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Niger Company's Territory, The Wind-
ward Islands, (Grenada, St. Lucia, St.
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CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that MONDAY
Next, the 26th instant, and MON-
DAY, the 2nd January, 1900, will be
observed as HOLIDAYS at the Kowloon
Customs Office.
Work at the Customs Examination Office
and Customs Stations will proceed as
usual.

H. M. BILBIE,
Commissioner of Customs,
for Kowloon and District.
Custom House,
Kowloon, 21st December, 1899. 2449

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that under the
powers conferred by the Special
Resolution passed and confirmed on the 5th
and 25th days of June, 1897, the Under-
signed General Managers did on the 30th day
of November, 1899, make a FINAL CALL
of \$5.00 per SHARE on account of the Price
of the New Shares Issued in Pursuance of
such Resolution and a FINAL CALL of
\$5.00 on account of the Premium for each
such SHARE, and that such CALLS are
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Upon Payment of such Calls and Pro-
duction of the Certificates for the Shares in
respect of which the same are paid, fully
paid up Certificates will be issued in ex-
change for provisional receipts.
Dated the 1st December, 1899.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
2280

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day Established myself
as ACCOUNTANT and AUDITOR.
Accounts kept and adjusted. Balance
Sheets Drawn up, and all Accountant's work
undertaken.
WM. H. GASKELL.
Letters should be addressed care of
HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, November 16, 1899. 2178

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

OWING to the large and continued
increase of Subscribers to the
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ments on Pages 1 and 4, should be sent
here not later than 10 a.m. New Adver-
tisements should be sent before 4 p.m.
BAIN & BRID.
Hongkong, October 1, 1899.

AMERICAN SYSTEM
OF
DENTISTRY.
39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
CHADWICK KEW.
(Late of Paris and Vienna).
Hongkong, July 19, 1897. 2588

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on the Shares in above Company becomes
due on the THIRTY-FIRST day of December
next, and Payment thereof must be made
to the Bankers of the Company, viz., the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CO.,
together with a Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 30th June, 1899.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, November 30, 1899. 2366
THE GREAT EASTERN AND ORIENTAL
MINING CO., LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that the
SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the
above Company will be held at the
Registered Office of the Company, 7,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on THURSDAY,
the 29th December, at 10 o'clock, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors,
together with a Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 30th June, 1899.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE
OFFICES will be CLOSED for the
Transaction of Public Business, on MON-
DAY and TUESDAY, the 26th and 27th
instant respectively, and on MONDAY,
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General Managers,
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G. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary,
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
W. H. T. DAVIS,
Manager,
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, December 19, 1899. 2421
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